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Dear Doctor

Your yesterday received  
And this of the Canes 585, 586, 587, 588. no  
right to be all one species they do not run together  
And are distinct enough well marked in habit  
if not in specific character 598 & 599 "Kobresia?"  
What's that? they are both good species of something  
are very distinct 600 is in fruit I send you a head  
604 & 605 are indeed very distinct I do not see how Dr  
Boott over looked the strong dissimilarity of pergyzinae  
they are both good species!! 607 must be *C. pauciflora*  
you ought to had it. 609 & 589 are of course 2 species  
there must be mistake in numbers. 609 single heads  
replaced pergyzina when old. ~~609~~ 589 spikes several in  
head &c &c you can right this with the other sets If I  
was mistaken in yours. No doubt Dr Boott  
is right on *C. Backii* & Dewey wrong. 616 here I  
feared I was missing species but I have sent with private  
plants separate or at least to Dewey. 620 ought to be  
var of *C. novae-Angliae*. Was Dewey yet reported to  
you I wrote him so to do long ago.

I wrote you last week you could remit on N. J. what  
you had ready - if it suits your convenience of course  
pay me at once for the European sets engaged  
I am glad you are so near through the troublesome  
if interesting work. The names of the common &  
miscellaneous things I have compared with my

duplicate nos & so far as I see are  
correct enough. The little *Collomia* however  
is not *C. linearis* nor *proclis* - I have some seeds  
& hope to raise it this year. I hope you will  
not forget when you can to give me the names  
of the *Coucis*, grasses & willows. 63 & 64 are not both  
*Conetia albicaulis* see the seeds &c. 158 *Bumex longifolius*  
= 499 of sets - I think not. *Euphorbia* you need not  
send to Engelman. I know them. I only send you the  
common things to show you the range &c. The things  
I send you without fls or fr I did not suppose you  
could name only by comparison with complete spec-  
imens. 41 *Astragalus Canadensis* of course fls pale yellow  
green exactly like the common form here. 42 is not  
*A. baryocarpus*. but I don't know what I couldn't get a  
nature. I suppose I have now learned more about  
putting up plants in sets - but too late - may be not -  
*Stanleyana pinnatifida* is surely only a form of *S. integrifolia* that  
you named so in the sets both grow together & run together  
all the time - by the way 25. *Vitis cordifolia* is something  
else. whitish insipid berries  
Prof Shont of Louisville Ky does not notify me  
of the receipt of his set now over a month  
sent - does he report to you? I think I must  
send him a letter of inquiry. I fear there is something  
wrong. Prof Hinks of Toronto does  
not reply & so will not have a set  
I have sold none but those I have told you of

When you need more sets (if you do) let me  
know & I will forward. I believe I wrote you  
that Mr Blake takes a set. as I understand  
you - you now have 3 only to sell - you under-  
stand the settlement with Parry He is to have \$20.00  
per set out of the first 12 sets you sell  
I have sent all your names to Dr Parry. he sends them  
to Dr Engelman. Mr Desquereux has worked  
up the mosses he makes over 100 species about  
twice the number I could have made of them  
he will retain a part for his own museum  
the balance he will return to me. If I can I will  
send some round to purchasers of the sets when I get them  
& have time. Mr Desquereux generously proposes to  
give me about 300 Sp European Mosses & an entire  
set when he has it ready of American for the species he  
wants & some I get here. I shall be rich yet  
are you consulted or directing in the botanical  
department of the new Rocky Mt Exploring Expedition  
fitting out in Nebraska & elsewhere for next year  
for 3 years perhaps Utah & Mexico &c  
R. O. Thompson Syracuse Nebraska Secy  
& Treasurer. I am in as a subscriber. tell me  
what you know of it & the name of the botanist  
Very respectfully

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